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AMEMBASSY PARIS

INFO: RUQMBE/AMEMBASSY BEIRUT 4001

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STATE PASS AGRICULTURE FOR HORBALY

AARIS FOR AG ATTACHE

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EGAGR, LB

SUBJ: TRAVEL OF LEBANESE SUPPLY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

1. AG ATTACHE PITCHER WAS TELEPHONED LATE NOV 2 BY ELIE TOUWA FORMER DIRGEN LEBANESE MINECON CEREALS OFFICE AND NOW HEADING PHALANGIST ORGANIZED SUPPLY COUNCIL. TOUMA DEPARTING DAMASCUS AM NOV 3 FOR PARIS AND PLANS TO CONTINUE TO US IN ABOUT ONE WEEK. HE STATE THAT HE HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO SEEK SOURCES OF US CONCESSIONAL GRAIN (WHEAT) SUPPLIES FOR LEBANON AND MENTIONED PL 480. ACCORDING TO TOUMA USG MAINTAINS LIAISON OFFICE FOR LEBANESE ASSISTANCE IN PARIS WHICH HE PLANS TO VISIT. AS AG ATTACHE WAS UNAWARE OF THE EXISTANCE OF SUCH OFFICE HAS ADVISED TOUMA TO CALL ON AG ATTACHE SHARP IN PARIS WHO MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST.

2. BEFORE LEAVING BEIRUT, TOUMA HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH EMBASSY FSL HALIM MAMARY. MAMARY INDICATED THAT USG HAS ALLOCATED 10,000 MT OF WHEAT MONTHLY TO LEBANON, BUT TOUMA IS NOT SURE UNDER WHICH PROGRAM.

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3. AG ATTACHE SUGGESTED TO TOUMA THAT HE CONTACT
FAS ASST ADMIN HORBALY UPON ARRIVAL US WHO COULD
ARRANGE MEETINGS WITH USDA OFFICIALS HANDLING PL 480.
TOUMA INDICATED HE WOULD ALSO BE CONTACTING ROBERT HOUGHTON,
FORMER DCM BEIRUT.

4. TOUMA MAY ALSO BE INTERESTED IN POSSIBILITIES OF BUYING
SOME US WHEAT WITH FINANCING UNDER CCC EXPORT CREDIT SALES
PROGRAM.

5. AG ATTACHE APPRAISED SUPPLY CONDITIONS FOR BASIC
FOODSTUFFS IN LEBANON IN AIRCOMM REPORT DATED 10/1/76
FOR ATTN NESA, PROGRAM PLANNING DIV, PL 480, OGSM.
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